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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant(s) hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in an International Search Report issued <u>December 6, 2007</u>, during the prosecution of International Application No. EP 0 3 75 4646, hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the International Search Report and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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